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No 4465 號五十六百四千四第 日二念月正年壬子治明 HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 1st MARCH, 1872. 五拜禮 號一月三英 港香 [PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH]

Arrivals.

Feb. 28, WILCO, Brit. sh. 800 H. W. Brown, Shanghai 28th Feb. 18, 35,355 piculs Rice. — GRIMAN & Co.
Feb. 28, APENARA, North Ger. bk. 315, G. Davidson, Bangkok 28th Feb. 7,500 piculs Rice. — Wm. P. Staud & Co.
Feb. 29, NID DESPERANDUM, Brit. sh. 137, E. Turner, Saigon 28th Feb. 3,800 piculs Rice. — CHIFFIN.
Feb. 29, VENUS, Brit. str. 923, Crowell, Canton 28th February, General. — Aye. Head & Co.
Feb. 29, KWANG-TUNG, Brit. str. 491, Pittman, Canton 28th Feb. General. — D. LARPAK & Co.
Feb. 29, LERNOIS, French steam-corvette, 496, Lervat, Swatow 28th February.
Feb. 29, CORINNE, Brit. bk. 395, Leidman, Bangkok 20th January, 9,200 piculs Rice. — Wm. P. Staud & Co.
Feb. 29, PALMA, North Ger. bk. 287, Jager, Saigon 28th February, 6,700 piculs Rice. — SUMNER & Co.
Feb. 29, SIN NANGING, Brit. str. 723, Drago, Canton February 28th, General. — JARDINE, MATTHEW & Co.
Feb. 29, MARQUIS OF ANGLE, Brit. sh. 555, McKinnon, Saigon 28th February, 10,000 piculs Rice. — ROSARIO & Co.

Departures.

Feb. 29, ALPHEA, str. for Saigon and Marseilles.
Feb. 29, SPAN, str. for Shanghai.
Feb. 29, SUNDRIER, str. for Amoy & Shanghai.
Feb. 29, SHARTEBURY, str. for Shanghai.
Feb. 29, KISHU, str. for Shanghai.
Feb. 29, POTEMAC, for Whampoa.
Feb. 28, WILCO, for Whampoa.
Feb. 1, E.M.S. CROSSING, for a Cruise.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE, 29th FEBRUARY.
Hut-long, str. for Swatow.
Moonlight, for Bangkok.
Wyle, for Whampoa.
Avalon, str. for Shanghai.
Sunshine, str. for Amoy and Shanghai.
Sidan, str. for Shanghai.
Sin Nang, str. for Shanghai.

Passengers.

For Alpha, str. for Saigon, 40.
For Saigon, — Mr. Rice and 150 Chinese.
For Singapore, — Hon. J. W. Birk and servant, Messrs. B. M. Hay and Dykeman.
For Port Said, — Mr. Julius Menke and Capt. Moss.
For Marseilles, — Mr. and Mrs. Lemmert, 3 infants and servant, and Mr. H. B. Brown.

Reports.

The North German bark *Palma* reports left Saigon on 28th February, had the first three days strong N.E. monsoon, after which fine weather to Luzon Coast, from thence strong N.E. monsoon till arrival.
The British ship *Marquis of Argyle* reports left Saigon on 28th February, had moderate monsoon and fine weather throughout the passage.
The British brig *Wile* reports left Shanghai on 28th February, had light N.E. monsoon and fine weather throughout.
The British brig *Nid Desperandum* reports left Saigon on 28th February, had strong monsoon the first part of passage, the middle part moderate, and the latter part strong winds from N.E.
The North German bark *Apennine* reports left Bangkok on 28th January, had light winds down the Gulf, and fine weather to Palo Alto, from thence to 19th February, strong Northerly winds and heavy sea, after which light monsoon till arrival.
The British bark *Corinne* reports left Bangkok 20th January, down the Gulf had light winds to Palo Alto, then strong N.E. winds and very heavy sea, ship pitching heavily to Palo Alto; then fine weather to Buenos, had on the coast fine weather, from thence had strong N.E. monsoon and head sea, which lasted four days, after which strong N.E. winds and heavy sea to Palawan, on February 8th. Then light winds for five days, then fine weather to Luzon Coast, wind at N.E. by S. from Point Dila, 26th February, had strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea, ship pitching heavily till arrival.

Auction Sale To-day.

W. K. HUGHES, T. Cloths.
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
THE Directors have appointed Mr. R. DUNN as Acting-Secretary during the absence of the undersigned.
By Order of the Board, G. N. MINTO, Secretary.
1st 3-8 Hongkong, 27th February, 1872.
THE HONGKONG PIER AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE FOURTH CALL OF TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS per Share on the Shares of the above named Company, is payable on the fifteenth day of March, 1872, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where Receipts will be granted for the same.
Interest at the rate of (15) Twelve per centum per annum will be charged on all Calls unpaid on the 15th day of March, 1872.
N. B. DENNY, Acting Secretary.
323 407 Hongkong, 29th February, 1872.
OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REARRANGEMENTS having been made for the conveyance of Cargo via London to New York, transhipping to steamers of the North German Lloyd Company, at Southampton. We are now prepared to take Cargo on through Bills of Lading by the steamers of the Ocean Steamship Company line for New York. For further particulars, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
27 207 Hongkong, 30th January, 1872.
JUST LANDED.
A GOOD assortment of Gentlemen's and Ladies' BOOTS, at moderate prices. ATYRES & Co.
9 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1872.
FOR SALE.
GENUINE GOLD MATEL CHOCOLATE DE SANTE VANILLE, in Boxes of 12 lbs. nett, HARVEY & VOZ, DESERES.
No. 10, Queen's Road.
23 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1872.
FOR SALE.
GENUINE TRUFFES DU PERIGARD, Vm. R. DINANE, NANTES.
At J. O. KRUSSE'S.
No. 10, Queen's Road, No. 23.
23 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1872.

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA.
CAPITAL—Tls. 2,500,000, in 25,000 Shares of Tls. 100 each.
Tls. 25 per Share payable on allotment, and the remainder in such sums and at such times as the Directors may determine, but so that at least three months' notice shall be given of every call.
WITH POWER TO INCREASE TO Tls. 5,000,000.
Provisional Committee.
O. C. BERN, Esq., Messrs. W. P. Staud & Co.
FRANZ HORNUMBER, Esq., Messrs. Jamieson, Hornum & Co.
A. A. HAYES, Esq., Messrs. Olyphant & Co.
G. J. KING, Esq., Messrs. Chapman, King & Co.
R. W. LITTLE, Esq., Messrs. Little & Co.
J. A. MATTHEW, Esq., Messrs. Thorne Brothers & Co.
D. REID, Esq., Messrs. Reid & Co.
Standing Counsel, R. W. M. BIRD, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.
Secretary to the Provisional Committee, JAMES GILLMAN, Esq.

IT is proposed to establish in Shanghai a Limited Banking Company, with the above title, in the belief that there is not only room, but actual necessity, for the additional facilities which such an institution will afford to the large local, coasting and foreign trade which centres in this port.
The great extension of steam communication, both by sea and river, and the creation of telegraphic connections, since the opening of the Shanghai ports, have greatly added to the importance of Shanghai, until it has become the great depot or distributing point for the trade of Northern and Central China; but, while it seems desirable that Shanghai should be the headquarters of the new Bank, and its direction on the spot where the principal interests are involved, a local Committee will be formed in Hongkong for the promotion of the undertaking.
The success of other public companies in Shanghai and Hongkong, and the evidence of a large sum of money seeking investment in China, encourage the belief that the proposed Capital for this Bank will be readily subscribed, many influential native merchants have already come forward as active promoters and supporters of the undertaking, and the Committee look for a very valuable constituency from Chinese sources.
The legal constitution of the Bank is engaging the consideration of the Committee, and reference has been made to London and elsewhere for the best legal advice upon the subject, and it is understood that no Shares will be allotted, nor will operations be commenced until the necessary arrangements have been completed, when further information will be laid before the Shareholders.
In the meantime, applications for shares are invited, until the 15th April, 1872, but must be on the prescribed forms, which can be obtained from the Secretary.
By order of the Provisional Committee, J. GILLMAN, Secretary.
Shanghai, 17th January, 1872.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 of Dollars.
Court of Directors.
Chairman—T. FRER, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—D. S. SASSOON, Esq.
E. H. MILES, Esq., J. H. MILES, Esq., W. H. FORBES, Esq., J. A. JOSE, Esq., Wm. JENNENS, Esq.
Messrs. James Greig, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McLean, Esq., London Branch—London and County Bank.
HONGKONG.
INVESTMENT ALLOWED.
On Current Deposits at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits.
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months 2½ per cent. per annum.
For 12 months 3 per cent. per annum.
Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Profits granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.
17 10621 Hongkong, 16th February, 1872.
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE DIVIDEND declared for the half-year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say \$7.50 per Share, of which \$2.50 has been paid, and the balance of \$5.00 has been paid, is payable on and after FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.
By order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.
21 312 Hongkong, 15th February, 1872.
THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).
HEAD OFFICE—1, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, LONDON.
BANKERS.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, Nicholas Lane, London, and its Branches.
Underwriters.
JOHN JOSEPH TIDD, Secretary. JOSEPH ANOUS, Secretary.

DURING each year it is proposed to pay the Shareholders Half-yearly, upon their paid-up Capital, interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum; and so soon as practicable after the expiration of each year, a Profit and Loss Account will be made up, showing the results of the business, and provision being made for all outstanding risks.
Out of the Profits will first be paid an additional 5 per cent. on the paid-up Capital, making with the interest to be paid as explained above, 10 per cent. to the Shareholders.
Before any further division of Profits takes place amongst the Shareholders, one-fourth, say 25 per cent. of the residue, will be retained divided amongst these Shareholders, out of whose business Profits have been made during the year.
The undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, hereby informs the Shareholders, who are requested to accept Marine Risks at current rates.
GILMAN & Co., Agents.
14 Hongkong, 20th November, 1871.

Intimation.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Dividend, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, or \$6 per share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this day, will be payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after THURSDAY next, the 15th instant. Shareholders are requested to apply at the office of the Company for Warrants.
By order of the Board of Directors, AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., General Agents.
114 Hongkong, 15th January, 1872.
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE DIVIDEND for the half-year ending 31st December, 1871, at the rate of Six per cent. per annum, will be payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after MONDAY, the 19th instant.
Dividend Warrants must be obtained from the Secretary, at the office of the Company, Club Chambers.
By order, G. N. MINTO, Secretary.
304 215 Hongkong, 16th February, 1872.
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
IN conformity with the Special Resolutions adopted and confirmed at the Extraordinary Meetings of Shareholders held on the 1st and 15th instants, after the reading of the 131st, 132nd, and 133rd of the Articles of Association, (such changes to take effect from 1st November, 1871), the Not Proffits of the Company will, from that date, be distributed as follows, viz:—Two-thirds (2/3rds) to all contributors, whether shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of premium contributed by each.
One-third (1/3rd) to Shareholders generally, according to the number of shares held by each.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., General Agents.
114 Hongkong, 16th February, 1872.
NOTICE TO MARINERS.
A RED BUOY has been placed in four fathoms of water, 20 feet N.W. of the Whyming-rook, Stomachers or Venetians may approach close to this buoy when turning or dropping, but cannot pass inside between it and Botolphs-rook.
J. S. HALSEY, Harbor-Master.
Swatow, February 26th, 1872.
THE ROYAL EXCHANGE ASSURANCE OF LONDON.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire at current rates.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, 4, Praya.
1669 Hongkong, 26th August, 1870.
CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE FIRST MONTHS ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1871.
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to hand to the undersigned, before the 1st March next, a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1871, in order that the distribution of 33 per cent. of the net profit reserved for Contributors may be ascertained.
Should any Shareholders fail to make the returns above described, their Accounts will be made up in conformity with the Books of the Company.
By order, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.
11 34 Hongkong, 4th January, 1872.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 4th March, 1872, at noon, All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, known as Island Lot No. 539, with the Eight Houses thereon, situated between First and Second Streets, Tai Ping-nan.
For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser.
Property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
364 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1872.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of March, 1872, at Noon, on the premises, All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, known as Island Lot No. 539, with the Eight Houses thereon, situated between First and Second Streets, Tai Ping-nan.
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Auctions.

HORSE AND PONY AUCTION, &c.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sales' Rooms, Queen's Road, TO-MORROW, the 2nd March, 1872, at noon.—
The Racing Pony, "MOXANA," "RIGET FOUR,"
A Brown PONY, quiet in Saddle and Harness.
A Brown Canton PONY, quiet under Saddle, and very fast.
A China Pony, "QUIN SABER,"
A Chestnut Australian Gelding, "SANDY," 6 years old, has been regularly driven for the past year, and so on under the saddle, imported from the Colonies in February, 1871.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
417 Hongkong, 1st March, 1872.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
TO-MORROW, the 2nd March, 1872, at 2 P.M., At the Golden Broom, Queen's Road, An assortment of Japanese LACQUERED WARE, BRONZES, &c., comprising OAR-BOXES, Work BOXES, GHOSE BOXES, TRAYS, JEWELRY BOXES, DESKS, TRAYS, BREAD BASKETS, BRONZE VASES, and ORNAMENTS.
393 Hongkong, 28th February, 1872.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 4th March, 1872, at their Sales' Rooms, Queen's Road, at 11 A.M., MISCELLANEOUS GOODS.
An Invoice of Office Copying and Printing INK.
For account of the concerned, 15 Cases B. F. MATTHEWS, 20 "SASSAPARILLA," All more or less Damaged by White Ants.
424 Hongkong, 1st March, 1872.
SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 7th March next, at 11 o'clock A.M., At the residence of GRACIOSO JOSE BARRERO, Esq., Captain, B.V., who is about to leave with his family for Lisbon.
The whole of his very elegant HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, consisting of Magnificent Drawings, Bed-rooms, Dining, and other rooms FURNITURE.
Full particulars will be given in the catalogue, which will be issued in due time.
J. DA SILVA, Auctioneer.
337 Macao, 26th February, 1872.
SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 7th March, 1872, at Noon, At the Residence of G. R. LAWRENCE, Esq., Carlton Terrace, Queen's Road East, The whole of his elegant English-made HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Drawing and Bed-rooms SUITES, PIANO, WATER COLOURS, OIL PAINTINGS, PLATED CROCKERY, and GLASS WARE, &c., &c.
Catalogue will be circulated previous to the sale.
423 Hongkong, 1st March, 1872.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 11th day of March, 1872, at Noon, on the premises, By order of the Mortgagee, under a power of sale contained in the deed of Mortgage, All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Hollywood Road, near the Oriental Buildings, and registered in the Land Office as Island Lot No. 219 and 212, together with the SIX LARGE HOUSES erected thereon.
For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the Purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the deed of transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser. The Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
391 Hongkong, 28th February, 1872.
SALE OF MACHINERY.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at Victoria Foundry, Spring Gardens, on FRIDAY, the 16th March, 1872, at 11 o'clock A.M., 1 Horizontal Steam Engine, 10 H.P., Cylinder, and 2 foot Stroke, with BOILER, complete.
1 Centrifugal PUMP with Foot Valve and Driving Pulley, and Linch Suction and Delivery Rods.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. The Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
421 Hongkong, 1st March, 1872.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 4th March, 1872, at noon, An Invoice of CORNED PICKLES, SAUCES, VINEGAR, SALT OIL, CAPERS, OLIVES, TARTARIC ACID, MUSTARD, GREEN PEAS, PRUNES, RAISINS, CURRANTS, PATICO, CA. Pearl BARLEY, MACARONI, BLOATERS, HAMS, CHERSE, &c.
An Assortment of WOODEN PRESERVES, consisting of Woodcock TRUFFLE, Wild Boar's Head TRUFFLE, Gaithe TRUFFLE, PATE DE FOIE GRASSE, Julienne SOUP, PRESERVES, ARTICHOKES, ASPARAGUS, CUCUMBERS, PROVENÇAL GARBOIS, CUCUMBERS, EASY LIVER, ROAST TURKEY, &c.
PERFUMERY Assorted, ESSENCE OF ROSES, OIL OF ROSES, Golden Oil, Lavender, WATER, MUK OF ROSES, Hare GREASE, JAMNIA POMATUM, Toilet SOAP, Sanitifer POWDERS.
An assortment of WINES, RASAC, LA-MALOUCE, ST. EMILION, CHATEAUFRONT, ALBISSE, CUCURAO, MAISSALA, FRONTIGNAUX, CHAMPAGNE.
140 pairs CLANKETS, damaged.
A Small Invoice of CORNED CLOVERS.
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Extracts.

The Loss of the "Delaware."
(Saturday Review, Dec. 30.)

There is a local tradition that the extremity of Cornwall once extended further to the westward than it does at present, and that a tract of land called Llanon was overflowed or washed away by the sea. This tradition is thought to have connected the Scilly Islands with the mainland of Cornwall. There are more than one hundred and forty islands and islets of which thirty-eight or thereabouts are inhabited. The islands form a compact group, surrounded by a deep sea, from which they rise for the most part abruptly, with rugged sides. In the channels which separate the islands the depth of the sea is much less, and in some parts extensive bays, dry or nearly dry, at low water, extend from island to island. This group of islands, which are about twenty-five miles to the south and west of the nearest point of the Cornish coast, and, as the prevailing wind is westerly for half the year, it offers itself as a dangerous lee-shore to ships bound either to Liverpool or London. Indeed, the formidable character of this group of islands is familiar to every reader of naval history, since it was on them that the brave and skilful Sir Cloudesley Shovel was shipwrecked on his return from the Mediterranean in 1707. He was the child of humble parents, and was born in an obscure village on the coast of Norfolk about the year 1650. He was intended for a shoemaker, but abandoned the last and went to sea. He began his naval career as a cabin boy, and rose to be an admiral. He first attracted notice by volunteering to swim with an urgent order from the admiral, on board whose ship he was, to another ship during an action. He was in all the principal naval actions of the wars of King William III. and Queen Anne, and had done his duty well when some of his colleagues died. After the successful attack on Toulon he sailed homeward with part of the British fleet, and it is supposed that his flagship struck on the rocks called the Bishop and his Clerks, which form part of the Scilly group. So far as is known, every person on board this ship perished. The body of the Admiral was preserved ashore and found among the rocks of St. Mary's Island by fishermen, by whom it was stripped and plundered, and then buried. It was afterwards exhumed and carried to Plymouth, and thence to London, where it was honoured with a public funeral. People who know that Sir Cloudesley Shovel was wrecked upon these islands know for the most part nothing of their recent history or present condition, and indeed they are not much less ignorant of the latter than when Shovel described their position, with reference not to England but to Spain. The more adventurous class of sea-side sojourners may perhaps have tried a residence at Scilly during the summer months, and we know that Heligoland, a much less eligible spot, has become a fashionable bathing-place. It may be our misfortune, or our curiosity, next to nothing of the present condition of these islands, and that in spite of steamboats and submarine telegraph, we are still able to regard them only as the *infame scopolo* on which Sir Cloudesley Shovel and his flagship perished. If we ventured to conjecture the purpose for which these islands were created, we should say that they were meant to be a tomb, and a distant and well-suited to the purpose of the loss of a large and valuable steamer just out of Liverpool, which was caught by a south-west gale when dangerously near to the Bishop and his Clerks. It must not be supposed that the name of this group of rocks was intended by those who gave it to indicate that a ship is safe in proportion to her distance from them, but that the name was given in the language of a pilot of these waters, a difficult and perilous operation. The steamship *Delaware* endeavoured to perform this operation in a gale of tremendous violence on Wednesday last week, and, having failed, she necessarily went to pieces. We are only in possession of general information as to the circumstances of her loss, but we can hardly be mistaken in supposing that it indicates some peculiar danger of modern navigation which did not exist under the system which Shovel, and after him Nelson, practised. This ship had passed through the Buz Canal in her last homeward voyage, and we should think that a ship, which had been either built or adapted to the purpose of navigating in a south-west gale, but it would be quite possible to make a voyage out from Liverpool to India without coming dangerously near the Scilly Isles. Unfortunately, however, the captains of these steamships are rather disposed to cut things too fine. They get into positions where no sailing ship would venture, and generally get out again. But every now and then there is an accident or mistake, and the consequences are terrible. It is stated that all the crew and passengers of the *Delaware*, except two or three, have perished, and the value of the ship and cargo, of which some portion is likely to be saved, has been estimated at upwards of a quarter of a million sterling.

We are told that at about 10 o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday week the gale was at its height. The first intimation to the islanders that a wreck was impending on their coast was the appearance of a large steamer in a disabled condition in Broad Sound. As soon as her state was recognised it was perceived that help could not be afforded. Even if there had been time to make an attempt at rescue, which there was not, the steamer was pilot-scutter and the most courageous men could not have put out from the shore without incurring certain loss. We learn with some surprise that Scilly does not possess a lifeboat, and this deficiency goes far to show that these islands are regarded as lying rather out of the usual track of vessels. There being no lifeboat on the islands, help to the disabled ship could not be rendered in any other way. She drove upon a reef right in the eye of the gale, and almost instantly disappeared from view. Thus sudden and awful was the destruction of "one of the most magnificent vessels belonging to the port of Liverpool." We are informed that by the last voyage home from India by the *Buz Canal*, "she brought the largest cargo of cotton on record," a fact which, we have known it, would by no means have encouraged us to select her for the experiment of passing near the Scilly Isles at a season when westerly gales prevail. Her course lay to the westward of the islands, and the question will be asked why she did not keep it. She was not only "a very fine vessel," which may mean a very fine vessel either for the *Star of India* or the *Atlantic Ocean*, but she was well manned and officered. Some "unfortunate casualty" to her engines is thought to have caused her loss. Her steam power having failed, she would be, in the estimation of competent observers, quite incapable of "weathering the Bishop."

Houses, Lands, Tenements, &c.

TO LET.

HOUSES TO LET.
A fine Part of Hongkong, A list of houses for sale at the Store of Messrs. BLACKBURN & CO., QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, BARRINGTON & ALGAR.
541 Hongkong, 20th February, 1872.

TO LET.
From the office of the York street, a commodious and well-known BUN-GALOW, situated in the Albany, in the rear of Mr. W. H. ALEXANDER'S house, at present occupied by Messrs. HUGHES and BORTON, containing 4 Rooms on the first floor, Outfittings, and a three-stalled Stable, and having a splendid Garden all round the premises.
For particulars, apply at No. 16, Lyndhurst Terrace.
501 Hongkong, 14th February, 1872.

TO LET.
A BED-ROOM, with BATH-ROOM and VERANDAH attached.
228 Hongkong, 12th February, 1872.

TO LET.
A TWO-STALLED STABLE and COACH-HOUSE.
Apply at 23, Follywood Road.
224 Hongkong, 12th February, 1872.

TO LET.
A COMPLETELY FURNISHED HOUSE, situated on Canton Terrace, Spring Garden, containing 4 Rooms on the first floor, with Office, Stabling, Croquet Lawn, Garden, &c., &c. Rent Moderate.
For particulars, apply to
218 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

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Insurance.

YANG-TSUN INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS 750,000 TAELS.
POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, at current rates. In addition to the usual Brokerage, this Association now returns to all policy holders *One-third of the yearly profits* on business transacted, divided *pro rata* to the premium contributed.
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
1089 Hongkong, 26th December, 1870.

COMPAGNIE LYONNAISE D'ASSURANCE MARITIME.
Société anonyme libree au Capital de 6,000,000 de francs (six millions).
This Company, having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, Shanghai, Foochow, Hankow, and Yokohama, are prepared to accept Marine Risks at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co., Agents.
437 Hongkong, 9th March, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Reduction in the Rates of Premium. Detached and semi-detached Dwellings, Houses, removed from town, and their contents, 1 percent. Other Dwellings (Household strictly) as such, and their contents, 1 percent. Goods, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents, 1 percent.
GILMAN & Co., Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—\$500,000.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Marine Risks at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
777 Hongkong, 26th April, 1870.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. A.D. 1720.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Policies as follows:—
MARINE DEPARTMENT.
Policies at current rates, payable either here in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
1297 Hongkong, 1st November, 1870.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurance, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month & of the annual rate Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " 1 do. do. Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " 1 do. do. Above 6 months the full annual rate.
GILMAN & Co., Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
695 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.
THIS Company, with its Head Office at Hongkong, and Agencies at the various Ports in China and Japan, is prepared to issue Policies of Insurance, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Secretaries.
557 Hongkong, 1st April, 1871.

NOTICE.
THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.
FROM this date, there will be no charge for Policies issued by this Company.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Secretaries.
1477 Hongkong, 1st November, 1871.

NOTICE.
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged SHORT PERIOD Insurance, viz:—
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GILMAN & Co., Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
675 Hongkong, 13th August, 1868.

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Insurance.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1869.
CAPITAL, \$1,000,000.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and Insure Policies at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Agents.
1851 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

UNIVERSAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, (OF LONDON).
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, Shanghai, Foochow, Hankow, and Yokohama, are prepared to accept Marine Risks at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co., Agents.
437 Hongkong, 9th March, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Reduction in the Rates of Premium. Detached and semi-detached Dwellings, Houses, removed from town, and their contents, 1 percent. Other Dwellings (Household strictly) as such, and their contents, 1 percent. Goods, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents, 1 percent.
GILMAN & Co., Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—\$500,000.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Marine Risks at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
777 Hongkong, 26th April, 1870.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. A.D. 1720.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Policies as follows:—
MARINE DEPARTMENT.
Policies at current rates, payable either here in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
1297 Hongkong, 1st November, 1870.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurance, viz:—
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GILMAN & Co., Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
695 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.
THIS Company, with its Head Office at Hongkong, and Agencies at the various Ports in China and Japan, is prepared to issue Policies of Insurance, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Secretaries.
557 Hongkong, 1st April, 1871.

NOTICE.
THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.
FROM this date, there will be no charge for Policies issued by this Company.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Secretaries.
1477 Hongkong, 1st November, 1871.

NOTICE.
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.
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